

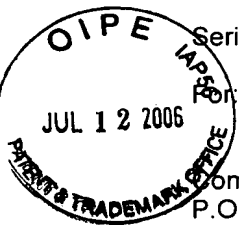
In RE application of Y. KANEDA et al

Serial No.: 10/720,308

Group Art Unit: 2185

Examiner: A.P. Savla

For: DATA STORAGE SYSTEM, DATA STORAGE APPARATUS, COMPUTERS AND PROGRAMS



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 5, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Title begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.